respective schemes wherein those who give information leading to successful unearthing of black money and benami properties, are suitably rewarded. The scheme also cautions the complainants against furnishing information which they know or believe to be false attracting provision of Section 182 of Indian Penal Code. This, according to the Commission, will act as a deterrent to corruption apart from ensuring that only genuine cases are reported.

Contribution of Service Sectors to GDP

†601. SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH:
SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:

Will the Prime minister be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there have wide changes in the contribution of production of various sources to the Gross Domestic Product of the country after adopting the policy of globalisation and liberalization;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that contribution of service sectors has increased whereas the contribution of conventional production like agricultural and industrial has declined;

(c) if so, whether the probability of increasing the gap between rich and poor has increased on account of above changes; and

(d) if so, Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) and (b) The Service sector's contribution to the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has increased from 42.8 percent in

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

the year 1993-94 to 45.2 per cent in the year 1998-99, while the contribution of the agricultural sector has declined from 31 percent to 29.1 percent and that of industrial sector has declined from 26.3 percent to 25.7 percent during the same period.

(c) and (d) No conclusion can be drawn regarding the gap between rich and poor on the basis of the changes in sectoral share of GDP.

Guidelines on National Long Distance Policy

602. DR. MANMOHAN SINGH: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has given its set of guidelines to the Ministry of Communications before it announces a National Long Distance Policy for opening up long distance calls for private competition;

(b) if so, what are these guidelines; and

(c) what is the Ministry's reaction to the recommendations of the Planning Commission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES OF THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) In the draft Chapter on Telecommunications of the Ninth Plan Mid Term Review, the Planning Commission has, *inter-alia*, made certain observations on policy issues regarding opening of long distance services for competition. The draft Chapter has been sent for the comments of the Ministry before it is finally approved.

(b) The observations made by Commission in this regard are:

(i) Free and full competition should be ensured from the beginning. It has to be ensured that no artificial barriers like